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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Preliminary Amendment in the captioned application.

No additional fee is required.

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Please amend claim 12 as follows:

12. (Amended) A speaker system comprising four speaker assemblies, a first one of said speaker assemblies mounted in front of a listening area, a second one of said speaker assemblies mounted to the rear of said listening area, a third one of said speaker assemblies mounted to the [to the] right of said listening area and a fourth one of said speaker assemblies mounted to the [to the] left of said listening area, wherein each of said assemblies comprise two fixed speakers mounted in a predetermined position with respect to each other, wherein each of said speakers includes one or more acoustic transducers, said speakers being responsive to a plurality of audio input signals from one or more signal processors, wherein said audio input signals are derived based on fixed input parameters determined by said predetermined positions.